## Councilman Mazzei, Supervisor Romaine and Deputy Supervisor Panico Celebrate Opening of New Blue Point Veterans Memorial Park

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Pictured left to right are Blue Point Civic Association President Ed Silsbe, Councilman Tim Mazzei, Warren McDowell, members of the American Legion Smith-Wever Post 651from Sayville, Supervisor Ed Romaine (second from right) and Deputy Supervisor/Councilman Dan Panico (right)

**Farmingville, NY -** On August 13, Councilman Tim Mazzei was joined by Supervisor Ed Romaine and Deputy Supervisor/Councilman Dan Panico to celebrate the opening of the new Blue Point Veterans Memorial Park located on Blue Point Avenue. Also on hand were American Legion Smith-Wever Post 651 Sayville members and Commander Steven Antonacci and Legion Riders President Lawrence Murphy.

The Blue Point Veterans Memorial Park was originally proposed to Councilman Mazzei by Blue Point veteran Warren McDowell. The Councilman worked with the Blue Point Civic Association, local veterans and the Parks Department to construct the park on a portion of land that was purchased for open space by the Town earlier this year. The park will also include a monument to Blue Point residents who gave their lives in the defense of freedom while serving in all wars from the Revolutionary War to the War in Afghanistan.

"The Blue Point Veterans Memorial Park is a fitting tribute to the brave men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of freedom all over the world," said Councilman Mazzei. "This was truly a grass roots effort that could not have been completed without the cooperative efforts of the civic association, the veterans and our Parks Department."

Supervisor Romaine said, "Thanks to Councilman Mazzei, Blue Point now has a beautiful new park where residents can honor our fallen patriots. As Americans, we must always find time to pay tribute to those who have died while serving their country."